

subsidy on loan for acquisition of trawlers; providing assistance for diversified fishing providing assistance for setting up facilities for processing tuna and other fish; and setting up of national marine Fishery Development Board.

[English]

Korba Project of Bharat Aluminium Company Limited

7055. SHRI BHAWANI LAL VERMA: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the raw material being supplied to Korba project of the Bharat Aluminium Company Limited in Madhya Pradesh as per their requirements;

(b) if so, the yearly requirements and the supply thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the arrangements being made for the regular supply of the raw material;

(d) whether the production capacity is being fully utilised; and

(e) if not, the steps being taken in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Bauxite ore, the main raw material for aluminum production, is supplied to the Korba plant of Bharat Aluminium Co. Ltd. (BALCO) as per their requirement.

(b) and (c). Against the yearly requirements of 5.5 lakh tonnes of bauxite ore at Korba, 2 to 2.5 lakh tonnes are produced at the captive mines of the Company. Since the captive mines of BALCO are getting fast depleted and cannot meet the full require-

ment, the balance quantity is met presently through purchases from outside sources.

(d) BALCO has achieved a high level of utilisation about 93%, of the installed capacity of aluminum production at Korba Plant.

(e) In view of reply to part (d), question does not arise.

Fruit Processing Plants during Eighth Plan

7056. SHRI K.V. THANGKA BALU: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have fixed any target to set-up fruit processing units in the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) While no target has been fixed for setting up of food processing units during the Eighth Plan, it is estimated that installed capacity for fruit and vegetable processing industries during the Eighth Plan is likely to increase from 9.50 lakh tonnes to 20 lakh tonnes.

Gas Based Power Project In Gujarat

7057. SHRI DILEEPBHAI SANGHANI:
SHRIMATI DIPIKA H. TOPIWALA:
SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:
SHRI RATILAL VARMA:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to set up more

gas based power plants in Gujarat has been and
accorded approval;

(b) if so, the places where these are likely to be set up;

(c) the extent of increase in power generation capacity of Gujarat as a result thereof;

(d) the present position about the clearances of Pipavav gas based power project;

(e) the time by which all the proposed power plants are likely to be approved by the Union Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (e) The following proposals have been received for installation of gas-based power plants in Gujarat:

i. Gandhar Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Project, district Bharuch by the national Thermal Power Corporation Limited.	650MW
ii. Gandhar Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Project, district Bharuch by the Gujarat Power Corporation limited	615MW
iii. Pipavav Cobined Cyle Gas Turbine Project district South Saurashtra by Gujarat Electricity Board.	615 MW
iv. Utran Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Project Stage-II, district Surat, by Gujarat Electricity Board.	135MW
v. Wanakbori Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Project, by G.E.B.	600 MW

The proposal for installation of Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Project by the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) has since been approved by the Government and is under implementation by the NTPC. An addition of 650 MW in the installed capacity of Gujarat would take place on its commissioning.

The Pipavav Cobined Cycle Gas Turbine Project of 615 MW was techno-economically cleared by the Central Electricity Authority in October, 1989 subject inter-alia to the confirmation of 2.5 MCMD of gas by the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas. The Gas linkage for this project has not been confirmed.

The Pipavav Combined Cycle Project as well as other projects could be taken up for implementation only after all the essential

inputs/clearances including the funding arrangements have been tied up and investment approval has been accorded in respect of them.

Difficulties faced by Deep Sea Fishing Industry

7058. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether deep sea fishing industry is facing difficulties due to poor maintenance of its fleet; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to improve the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING IN-